

THE WEATHER
Fair tonight and Tuesday. Cooler
tonight with frost if weather clears.

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PRICE TWO CENTS

BRITISH ADVANCE A MILE INTO GERMAN LINE

GENUINE BREAK OF GERMAN LINE

And British War Observers Say It Must Mean a Retreat of Invading Forces.

PRZEMYSL IS THREATENED

Closely on Two Sides Now by Hostile Forces Say Russian Dispatches.

LONDON, May 17.—Field Marshal Sir John French has broken his silence in regard to the movements of the British army northwest of La Bassee with the announcement of an advance of nearly a mile into the German line. This, together with the continuance of the French thrust both north of Ypres and southwest of La Bassee constitute the outstanding features of the military situation today. Military commentators here regard the British advance as a genuine break of the German line, which, if maintained, must mean a retreat for a considerable section of the invaders' forces. Recapture of the bridge over the Tser canal at Steenstraete by the French deprives the Germans of their last connection with the west side of the canal. German assaults on the British position at Ypres seem to have spent themselves at least for the moment.

Official reports from Petrograd do little to minimize the severity of the defeat which the Russians have experienced over practically the whole line from central Poland to the Carpathians. The victorious Germanic allies have robbed the Russians of most of the gains of the hard winter and early spring campaigns with the exception of Przemysl, which is closely threatened on two sides by hostile forces. It is evident that the Austro-German forces will leave nothing undone in the attempt to force a crossing of the San river.

FRENCH WAR OFFICE RESITES MORE PROGRESS

PARIS, May 17.—The French war office today issued the following statement: "In the region of Hot Sas we have continued to make progress. Yesterday evening we occupied a house strongly defended by the enemy and on the east bank of the canal we took possession of the first German line making at the same time 145 prisoners and capturing four machine guns. A counter attack on the part of the enemy was a complete failure. Nothing new to the north of Arras with the exception of a violent artillery duel and the sanguinary checking of four German counter attacks."

RAILROAD PASSES

Likely to Be About as Scarce As Hen Teeth After July 1.

It is rumored in local railroad circles that the days of free passes to railroad employes from all railroads in the country are numbered and that June 1 will see the closing of the open door of free transportation. For a year or so back, there has been a tendency among the various railroad organizations to be less liberal than heretofore in issuing complimentary transportation to the employes of other railroads. The discontinuing of a large number of free trips was also mentioned in the recent report on the needs of increased receipts for railroads as an easy means of increasing revenue. Despite the fact that so-called "foreign" passes have not been readily obtained, there have been much trouble in getting transportation over other lines.

Quite a number recently obtained passes over the lines to the far west and the Panama-Pacific exposition. The steps taken to curtail the pass privileges will be very unwelcome to most of the railroad employes, who have long regarded the rights of free transportation over almost any line as one of the most pleasant features of working for a railroad company.

CIRCUS IS COMING.

The first advertising car of Gentry Brothers' Famous Shows, which will give two performances in this city May 31, arrived in the city this morning and a force of men started to bill this city and surrounding territory. Gentry Brothers' show has visited this city off and on for the last twenty years.

"DOOKIES" TO MEET.

A regular meeting of Tau temple No. 169 of the Dramatic Order of Knights of Khorassan will be held at 7:30 o'clock tonight in the Pythian hall on South Third street. As there will be special business a full attendance of the membership is urged.



A. W. Roper, the noted pianist, who is playing this week at the Hamilton Tabernacle Meetings.

HATFIELD

is Given a Rousing Reception Reception at Sutton Where He Addresses Voters.

The Hon. Alex. Dulin, of Sutton, returned to the city Sunday afternoon to visit Mrs. Dulin, who is a hospital patient here. Mr. Dulin, in discussing a mass meeting held in the court house at Sutton Saturday afternoon, which was addressed by Governor H. D. Hatfield, states that fully 1,000 of Braxton county's leading Republicans, Democrats, Progressives, Socialists and Prohibitionists attended. The meeting had been called by E. G. Rider, county chairman of the Republican party, and the reception and response given the governor were most enthusiastic. The governor held his audience spellbound for more than two hours discussing state policies and measures. At the conclusion of the address a set of ringing resolutions was adopted amidst great cheering endorsing the governor's stand on taxation and his policy relating to state finances as well as announcing the new allegiance to the principles of the Huntington platform as adopted by the Republican party.

FATAL INJURIES

Are Sustained by a Railroad Brakeman at Viropa near Shinnston.

George Potts, aged 29 years, met with injuries in an accident on the Monongahela railroad at Viropa, near Shinnston, Sunday afternoon, which resulted in his death at 7 o'clock Sunday evening at the Miners' hospital at Fairmont. Potts, who was a railroad brakeman, was on duty on an accident train handling the brakes in some manner he fell between the cars and was run over. The accident happened about 2 o'clock at Viropa. The injured man was hurried to the Miners' hospital at Fairmont, where every effort was made to save his life. His left leg was severed near the hip and he was crushed through the abdomen. The deceased man resided in Fairmont. He leaves his wife and two children. Mr. Potts and family moved there from Cumberland about eighteen months ago. Mr. Potts was a member of the lodge of the Woodmen of the World.

AUDIT

Of the Affairs of J. V. Thompson So as to Close a Big Loan is Being Made.

The accountants employed to audit the affairs of J. V. Thompson, of Uniontown, Pa. are now at work in the city compiling a certified statement of his affairs preparatory to closing the loan of \$20,000,000 recently secured to relieve him of his present financial entanglements.

Investigation of his West Virginia holdings is now being made and the property sheets certified by the county clerks of the court in the various counties where his properties are located. Wetzel and Marshall counties have been covered. Monongalia, Harrison, Doddridge and other counties will be covered during the coming week. The work is being done under the supervision of Attorney W. H. Conaway acting on behalf of the receivers. It is expected that the audit will be completed within the next week or ten days.

BEE TRIAL WEDNESDAY.

Ralph Bee, who was recently arrested by Sheriff Ross F. Stout in the county jail for having whiskey on his person, will be arraigned for a trial before Magistrate Jackson V. Carter at 2 o'clock Wednesday afternoon. Bee was visiting a friend in the jail when Sheriff Stout saw the whiskey bottle in his pocket and arrested him.

MIGHTY ARMADA OF WAR CRAFT GATHERS IN NEW YORK HARBOR

For Review by President Wilson Who Reached Harbor on Mayflower Last Night.

GREAT PARADE ON LAND

Noisy Welcome is Given the Nation's Chief as He Proceeds through Streets.

NEW YORK, May 17.—A mighty armada of battleships, destroyers, submarines and auxiliary craft, the nation's bulwark in case of war, swung at anchor in Hudson river today, groomed for review by the president of the United States. Convoys by the cruiser, Baltimore, the Mayflower, bringing President Wilson from Washington, reached the harbor last night and steamed up the river to anchorage off West Forty-first street. The naval review preceded in the forenoon by a land parade was the chief ceremonial feature of the ten days' visit of the Atlantic fleet to this port. Tomorrow the demonstration will end with the departure of the fleet for a naval war game along the Atlantic coast. Automobiles carried the president and his official party at 10 o'clock to the reviewing stand in front of the public library. From each ship 200 bluejackets and sixty marines were landed to form four regiments of bluejackets and one of marines under the command of Brigadier Commander Coffman. Between each regiment marched a ship's band and a regiment of New York state militia swung in behind. A sharp rain spattered the uniforms of the sailors with mud as they swung into parade formation shortly after 10 o'clock. The president rode between thousands of persons lining the sidewalks who cheered and roared a noisy welcome.

The presidential party traveled at a brisk pace through the streets, trailed by three automobiles of secret service men and a detachment of detectives from police headquarters. Seldom had such precautions been taken before to guard a president of the United States. Along the way the president traveled there were many detectives in the streets and some of them were stationed even on top of houses. A few minutes after the president reached the stand the head of the parade line came into view. A battalion of mounted police preceded the marchers. Next came the marine corps band, then the marines themselves, clad in dark blue jackets, with light blue trousers. As each detachment passed the president was saluted.

Throughout the president stood intent on the spectacle, serious of face, except when the passing of the masses from the various battleships drew ripples of laughter from the crowd. When the last detachment had passed the president, accompanied by his party, left for the hotel. Baltimore, where the program called for a luncheon given by the citizens committee. Additional details of the flooding are given in a despatch filed Friday but delayed in transmission. When the cruiser, Almirante Reis, caught fire and began to sink the crew escaped to the shore and sent an ultimatum to the government giving it until 11 o'clock that night to resign. Senhor Cunha, former governor of Madeira, was killed by a shell which entered his house. James Castro was at the head of a division which marched on Lisbon to support the government troops. Civilians went to the artillery museum and helped themselves to all kinds of weapons. A large body of them headed by customs officers attacked the republican guard posted around the ministry of the interior. The ministry buildings and those of the museum were badly damaged.

POLICE RAID

On Glen Elk House Results in Arrest of Two Men and a Woman.

Two men and one woman were arrested in a police raid on an alleged house of ill fame on Clark street, Glen Elk, shortly after 12 o'clock Sunday night. The two men, who gave their names as Paul Weber and L. Bartholomew, appeared in police court this morning and were fined \$6.60 on charges of assembling for immoral purposes, while the woman, who gives her name as Mrs. Eaton, is to be tried at 7 o'clock this evening on a charge of running the house. The police squad was headed by Lieutenant Nicholas White and consisted of Officers Sims, Joyce, White and Howe. The house has been under suspicion by Chief Brooks for some time and last night's raid had been carefully planned by him. The police squad, although not accompanied by the chief, acted under his directions.

MASSACRED

By Turks Are 6,000 Armenians, According to Russian Consul's Despatch.

LONDON, May 17.—Six thousand Armenians have been massacred in Van, Armenia, Asiatic Turkey, according to a despatch received in official quarters here today from the Russian consul at Urmiah, Persia. This message is dated May 15. It adds that the Armenians are defending themselves to the utmost against the Turks and Kurds arrayed against them but that help is urgently needed.

MISSION PRAYER SERVICE.

A mission prayer service will be held at 10:30 o'clock Wednesday in the Christ Episcopal church. All members of the congregation are asked to attend.

FLOOD TIDE OF RELIGIOUS ENTHUSIASM AND FERVOR

WHAT VISITORS ARE SEEING ABOARD UNCLE SAM'S BIG SHIPS



The North Atlantic fleet, now at New York, has been visited by many thousands of people during the past week. Some of the things they witnessed are shown above. One of the pictures shows jacksies enjoying themselves inside the 14-inch guns. Another shows them cheering the visitors. At the left is seen Buster, the Boston terrier mascot of the new dreadnought Texas.

LISBON CALM

And Some of the Best Known Anarchists Are Leaving the Scene of Rebellion.

PARIS, May 17.—Absolute calm has been restored in Lisbon and the Portuguese capital has resumed its normal appearance according to a despatch filed late yesterday. Some of the best known anarchists are leaving the city.

AUTO UPSETS

As It is Crowded into Gutter and One Young Lady is Painfully Injured.

Miss Ethel Gerrard, daughter of Jacob Gerrard, of Wilsonburg, is a patient in a local hospital with a broken hip, resulting from an automobile accident, which occurred at 4 o'clock Sunday afternoon at Cork's place on the West Milford road, while Willis and Miss Alta Rittenhouse, son and daughter of Ashby Rittenhouse, of Gregory's run, were suffering from bruises, which were not such as to necessitate their going to a hospital. Misses Georgia and Alice Martin, daughters of Mack Martin, were in the car also, but were not hurt. The party was in a Ford car, with Mr. Rittenhouse driving. They met a large car which crowded their car into the gutter, causing it to upset. Their car upset as it reached the culvert. The occupants of the large car did not stop to help those in the accident, and they were not identified by the Rittenhouse party.

DAMAGE SUIT

Of Elijah Gain against County Court is on Trial in the Circuit Court.

Trial of Elijah Gain's suit against the county court for \$200 as damages for personal injuries sustained by him on account of an alleged bad road in Sardis district is on in the circuit court. Mr. Gain avers that while riding in a spring wagon the road was so bad that he was thrown out of the wagon into a ditch and severely hurt.

ALLEN PAYS FINE

Glen Elk Negro Convicted of Being Disorderly in His Home.

For being disorderly in his home in Glen Elk Sunday night, Richard Allen, colored, paid a fine of \$6.60 in police court Monday morning. It was alleged that Allen was drunk and was beating his wife when Officers Sims and Joyce arrived at the home in response to a telephone call from a neighbor, who had heard the cries of Allen's wife.

FIRE ON A SHIP.

(By Associated Press.) TOKIO, May 17.—A wireless message has been received from the steamship, Mongolia, that a fire occurred on the steamer Chio Maru Sunday night. No details were given. The Chio Maru is due at Yokohama tomorrow. The owners of the Chio Maru deny the report of a fire on board it.

GREGIAN KING

Who Has Been ill More Than a Week is Reported in Serious Condition.

LONDON, May 17.—The Greek legation here has received a bulletin from Athens reading as follows: "Yesterday evening the feverish condition of King Constantine increased. His temperature registered 102 degrees Fahrenheit, his pulse was 110 and his respiration 22."

REVOLUTION

Breaks Out at Trieste and the Revolutionists are Chiefly Women with Men Absent.

ROME, via Paris, May 17.—A revolution has broken out at Trieste according to a message from the frontier. A crowd composed chiefly of women because the men have been called to the colors, invaded the square on which faces the palace of Governor Baron von Frisesek. The women cried "Death to Francis Joseph! Down with Austria!" They burned an Austrian flag together with a portrait of the emperor and attempted to attack the palace. The governor ordered gendarmes to charge the crowd and the women retired fighting stubbornly. The despatch says that forty-seven women were killed and over 300 injured.

RUFFNER RESIGNS

Position with Exponent-American, Going Way Many Have Gone Before.

Joseph Ruffner, Jr., for the last several weeks managing news editor of the Exponent-American, has resigned his position with that newspaper and expects to leave this evening for Parkersburg. The resignation of Mr. Ruffner recalls to mind memories of those who have gone before, disappointed and broken in spirit.

BONDS FORFEITED.

Bonds of \$11.50 each were forfeited by a Mrs. Booth and Frank Howard when they failed to appear in police court Monday morning to stand trial on a charge of assembling for immoral purposes. They were arrested Sunday night by Officers Sims and Howe and posted cash bonds.

Real Awakening in Hamilton Campaign Here Comes in Mighty Power.

NUMBERS HIT THE TRAIL

Message Brought by the Evangelist Touches Hearts of Men as Never Before.

DECISIONS.

Sunday, all services, decisions	137
Sunday, all services, by letter	29
Previously reported	1,344
Total	1,500

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

- Monday.
 - Family night at the tabernacle, husband, wife, father, mother, children and grandchildren all sitting together.
- Tuesday.
 - Campaign day. One hour or more to be spent in active personal work on the outside.
 - Teams start from First Methodist Episcopal church at 1 o'clock. Stores to close at 4:30 and employers and employees to attend the tabernacle. Sermon subject, "Heaven."
- Wednesday.
 - State night. What state are you from?
- Thursday.
 - Ward and community night.
 - How many representatives from each? Which will have the largest delegation?
 - Noon luncheon at the First Methodist Episcopal church each day during the week at 12 o'clock. Every man is invited.

Sunday was a day never to be forgotten in religious annals of Clarksburg. Such a flood tide of religious enthusiasm, spiritual fervor, personal service and actual decisions for Christ has never before been witnessed in this city. What the Hamilton campaign has been lacking for more than a week past, a real awakening seems to have come at last and come in mighty power. It had its beginning on Saturday night when sixty-seven persons hit the trail and that momentum never diminished its speed but rather gathered power all day Sunday. A total of 1,500 decisions marked the day's work, the largest number of any one day since the meetings began with the possible exception of the young people's services early in the campaign. These were practically all adults, there not being a half dozen children in the whole number. And then another feature was that they were nearly all men.

This was a service especially for the church people and no special effort was made to enlist decisions at the morning service of the state number of old and infirm people were out for this service and they thoroughly enjoyed it. The message "Christ the Wonderful" was a sermon that touched hearts and there seemed to be a general breaking up all over the congregation. It prepared the church members for the general and special services which were to follow. At this service there were four decisions and fifteen who signed cards signifying their intention of uniting with the churches in the city by letter.

Great things had been expected of the men's meeting Sunday afternoon. And there was no disappointment. It is probable that never before were such scenes witnessed in a religious meeting in this section of the state as those of Sunday afternoon. Men, strong men, were weeping in all parts of the building. Business men, lawyers, doctors, politicians and laboring men were pleading with their fellows to make a decision for the right of God and men who had come in a body were especially impressed. The city officials with the police force attending in a body also, and headed by Chief Brook, a number of them took the front seats amid the cheers of the assembled hosts. Men came by singles, pairs and bunches. Just how many were forward is not definitely known. Forty-eight names were secured but many got away without giving their names to the secretaries. The message by Evangelist Hamilton, "Does it Pay," evidently struck a responsive cord. The men almost to a man voted to have another special meeting for men on next Sunday, although this was supposed to be the last men's meeting.

Sunday Night. The hemlock temple was packed to the doors Sunday night. Even before time for the service to begin all seats were taken. The "Boosters" were taken from their section in front and scattered all over the choir platform, wherever an empty nook could be found for them, and their places filled with grownups. Then hundreds could not find seats and hundreds went away never entering the tabernacle. The musical program was one of unusual merit with Welch leading and Roper as soloist. (Continued on page 2.)